

Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached replacement drawing sheets makes changes to Figs. 1 and 2 and replace the original sheets with Figs. 1 and 2.

Attachment: Replacement Sheets

REMARKS

Claims 1-3 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, the title is amended and Figures 1 and 2 are corrected.

In section 3 on page 3, the Office Action objects to the title. The title is hereby amended in a manner similar to the suggestion made by the Office Action. It is respectfully requested that the objection to the title be withdrawn.

In section 4 on pages 3-4, the Office Action objects to the drawings. The drawings are amended exactly as suggested by the Office Action, except that box 110 is given the descriptive legend "web print unit" in order to conform the legend to the written description and reference character 1 is added to the big box in Figure 2. It is respectfully submitted that the drawings comply with all applicable requirements. Therefore, it is respectfully requested that the objection to the drawings be withdrawn.

In section 6 on pages 4 and 5, the Office Action rejects claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,333,790 to Kageyama. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claim 1 recites, "a sending and receiving unit configured to send the server computer a request signal received from the information terminal." The Office Action relies on the first communication part 2110 of Kageyama with respect to the recited sending and receiving unit. The Office Action also relies on the second computer 400 of Kageyama with respect to the recited information terminal. The Office Action relies on the first computer 300 of Kageyama with respect to the recited server computer. However, Kageyama does not disclose first communication part 2110 receiving a request signal from the second computer 400. Kageyama does not disclose sending the request signal to the first computer 300. The disclosure in Kageyama relied upon by the Office Action, col. 6, lines 24-28, only discloses

that the first communication part 2110 communicates with the various machines such as the computers. Kageyama does not disclose the specific communications recited in claim 1.

Claim 1 also recites, "a printing unit configured to print an image on a printing medium based on externally input data." The Office Action relies on the printer engine 2200 of Kageyama with respect to the recited printing unit. However, Kageyama does not disclose that the data used by the printer engine 2200 to print an image on a printing medium is based on externally input data.

For at least the foregoing reasons, it is respectfully requested that the rejection of claim 1 as being anticipated by Kageyama be withdrawn.

In sections 7-9 on pages 5-8, the Office Action rejects claims 2 and 3 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Kageyama in view of U.S. Patent Publication No. U.S. 2003/0081247 to Sharma and separately in view of U.S. Patent Publication No. U.S. 2003/0223093 to Baird et al. These rejections are respectfully traversed.

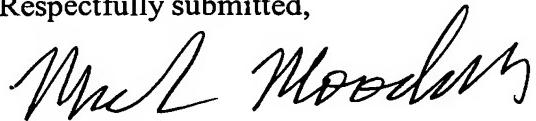
Claims 2 and 3 are allowable based on their dependence from claim 1 for the reasons stated above in connection with claim 1. Further, neither Sharma nor Baird et al. overcome the deficiencies described above in connection with Kageyama. More specifically, neither Sharma nor Baird et al. disclose a printing unit configured to print an image on a printing medium based on externally input data or a sending and receiving unit configured to send a server computer a request signal received from an information terminal different than a server computer.

For at least the foregoing reasons, it is respectfully requested that the rejections of claims 2 and 3 in sections 7-9 on pages 5-8 of the Office Action be withdrawn.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-3 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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